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AMENDMENT

Asst. Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the office action of March 2, 1999, please amend this application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, before line 1, insert

→ Prior Application

The present application is the U.S. national phase of PCT patent application Serial No. JP96/03333 filed November 14, 1996.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 1, lines 1 and 2, change "material which comprises" and insert --aqueous solution of--

Claims 2 to 5, line 1 of each, change "material" to --aqueous solution--

Lancel claim 6

Claim 7, line 2, change "agent comprising" to --repairing aqueous solution--

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